



# SPAWARSYCOM SMALL BUSINESS PROGRAM FACT SHEET



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## SPAWAR OVERVIEW

The Space and Naval Warfare Systems Command (SPAWAR) is one of the Navy's three major acquisition commands. Our mission is to provide Knowledge Superiority to the U.S. Navy and other branches of the Nation's armed forces through the development, acquisition and life-cycle support of effective, capable and integrated C4ISR and Space Systems. "C4ISR" systems are defined as those providing command, control, communications, computers, intelligence, surveillance and reconnaissance capabilities.

SPAWAR is headquartered in San Diego, CA with major field activities located in Charleston, SC; Norfolk, VA; New Orleans, LA; and Washington, DC as well as a major R&D facility also located at Point Loma in San Diego. SPAWAR has a workforce of nearly 7600 military and civilian employees, and a budget of more than \$4.5 billion annually. The command manages more than 150 programs, hundreds of developmental projects and enjoys a premier position as the technical and program manager experts in the information technology (IT) field. Ashore, SPAWAR oversees installation of the radically new Navy/Marine Corps Intranet (NMCI). This "first of its kind" network will provide total connectivity for the Department of the Navy's shore installations and will eventually tie directly to the fleet's IT-21 systems afloat. Check out our SPAWAR homepage <http://www.spawar.navy.mil>

### **Fleet Support: What Does SPAWAR Buy? (Examples only)**

#### *Communications*

- Communications Systems
- Digital Communications Systems
- Digital Data Link Terminals
- Automatic Switching Equipment
- Microwave Systems

#### *Battle Management Systems*

- Software Applications
- Computers and Displays

#### *Undersea, Terrestrial and Space Sensors*

- Satellites
- Underwater Sensor Arrays
- Navigation and Weather Systems

#### *Satellite Systems*

- Submarine Mast Antennas
- RF Switching Systems
- HOBA/VOBA Antenna HF

#### *Communication Receivers*

- EHF, HF, SHF Receivers

## HOW TO DO BUSINESS WITH SPAWAR

Visit our website to view current and future business opportunities: <https://e-commerce.spawar.navy.mil>  
Select from the left side of the main menu, one of four SPAWAR buying offices:

- Headquarters San Diego, CA
- SSC San Diego, CA
- SSC Charleston, SC
- SITC New Orleans, LA (*Watch for future postings.*)

**Some of the choices available to you are as follows:**

**Market Surveys & Future Opportunities** – View “Sources Sought Notices”, “Pre-solicitation Notices”, “Request for Information”, or “Draft Solicitations”. Sources Sought Notices are requests for capability statements in order to determine the level of competition available. Results from these notices are frequently used to determine the possibility for an 8(a) set-aside or small business set-aside. Be sure to “Subscribe” to any opportunity you would like to electronically track.

**Open Solicitations** – View current solicitations including the statement of work. You may also view the electronic “Prospective Bidders List” for a solicitation to locate teaming partners or points of contact for subcontracting opportunities. The list will include all those who have subscribed to the solicitation.

**Simplified Acquisitions (SAP)** – View supply or service acquisitions with an anticipated dollar value between \$2,500 and \$100,000. These purchases are normally reserved for small business concerns.

**Closed Solicitations** – View solicitations that have closed and are currently under “Evaluation.”

**Awarded Contracts** – View contracts that have been awarded since December 1998.

### **i-Services:**

**Subscriptions Services** - You may choose to anonymously browse our website. However, we also offer “Solicitation Subscription” services (SPAWAR Solicitations ONLY) to notify you by electronic mail when SPAWAR solicitations are updated (e.g. issuance of Amendments to solicitations, messages regarding Pre-solicitation Conferences, issuance of Statement of Work and other associated data, etc.).

**NOTE:** The Government makes no guarantee of e-mail notification. Best practice would be to visit the site frequently.

**Registered Users** - You must be a Registered User to ask questions and submit electronic proposals on-line. On-line proposals are protected by 128bit Secure Socket Layer encryption and may be viewed only by the Contract Specialist, Contracting Officer, and Author.

## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

### ***What do I need to do to get started?***

The Department of Navy Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization Office has developed a “*TEN STEPS TO SUCCESS*” Guide to the Department of the Navy Marketplace which is available on the SPAWAR Small Business Office website.

### ***What resources are available to me?***

- SPAWAR Small Business Office Team – We operate as the SPAWAR advocate for small business and we offer one-on-one counseling. See page 1 for contact information.
- Small Business Administration Office  
<http://www.sba.gov>
  - SBA San Diego Office  
<http://www.sba.gov/ca/sandiego/>
  - SBA Columbia, South Carolina  
<http://www.sba.gov/sc/>
- Procurement Technical Assistance Centers  
<http://sellingtothegovernment.net>
  - San Diego Contracting Opportunity Center  
<http://ptac-sandiego.org> or call (619) 285-7020
  - University of South Carolina – Columbia, SC  
Virginia Sheppard, [sheppav@clemson.edu](mailto:sheppav@clemson.edu) or (864) 297-1016

### ***Where do I find more information about Navy Marine Corps Intranet (NMCI) subcontracting?***

The NMCI contract to provide end-to-end information services through a common computing and communications environment was awarded to Electronic Data Systems (EDS) in October 2000. Information may be obtained at <http://www.nmci-isf.com>  
The EDS NMCI Small Business Office may be reached at (703) 904-6484 or email [nmcisboffice@eds.com](mailto:nmcisboffice@eds.com)

### ***Does SPAWAR participate in the Small Business Innovative Research (SBIR) Program?***

Yes, the SPAWAR SBIR Program Manager is Linda Whittington, email: [linda.whittington@navy.mil](mailto:linda.whittington@navy.mil) or telephone (858) 537-0146. Beginning October 2002, all DoD SBIR/STTR solicitations are available in electronic format ONLY at <http://www.acq.osd.mil/sadbu/sbir>

**SPECIAL NOTE:** DoD 2003.1 SBIR solicitation was issued October 1, 2002. DoD will begin accepting proposals December 2, 2002. Final deadline for receipt of proposals is January 15, 2003, by 5:00 p.m. EST. SPAWAR Topic Numbers are N03-142 thru N03-152.

### ***How do I register PRONET Profiles for multiple branch offices?***

Only one profile may be entered for the Main office and must have a Dun & Bradstreet number with a +4 number of “0000”. Separate Profiles for Branch offices may be registered by using the Dun & Bradstreet number with a different +4 number (e.g., 0001) and entering a different address, phone number, etc.

**NOTE:** You must update/edit Profiles for each office individually.